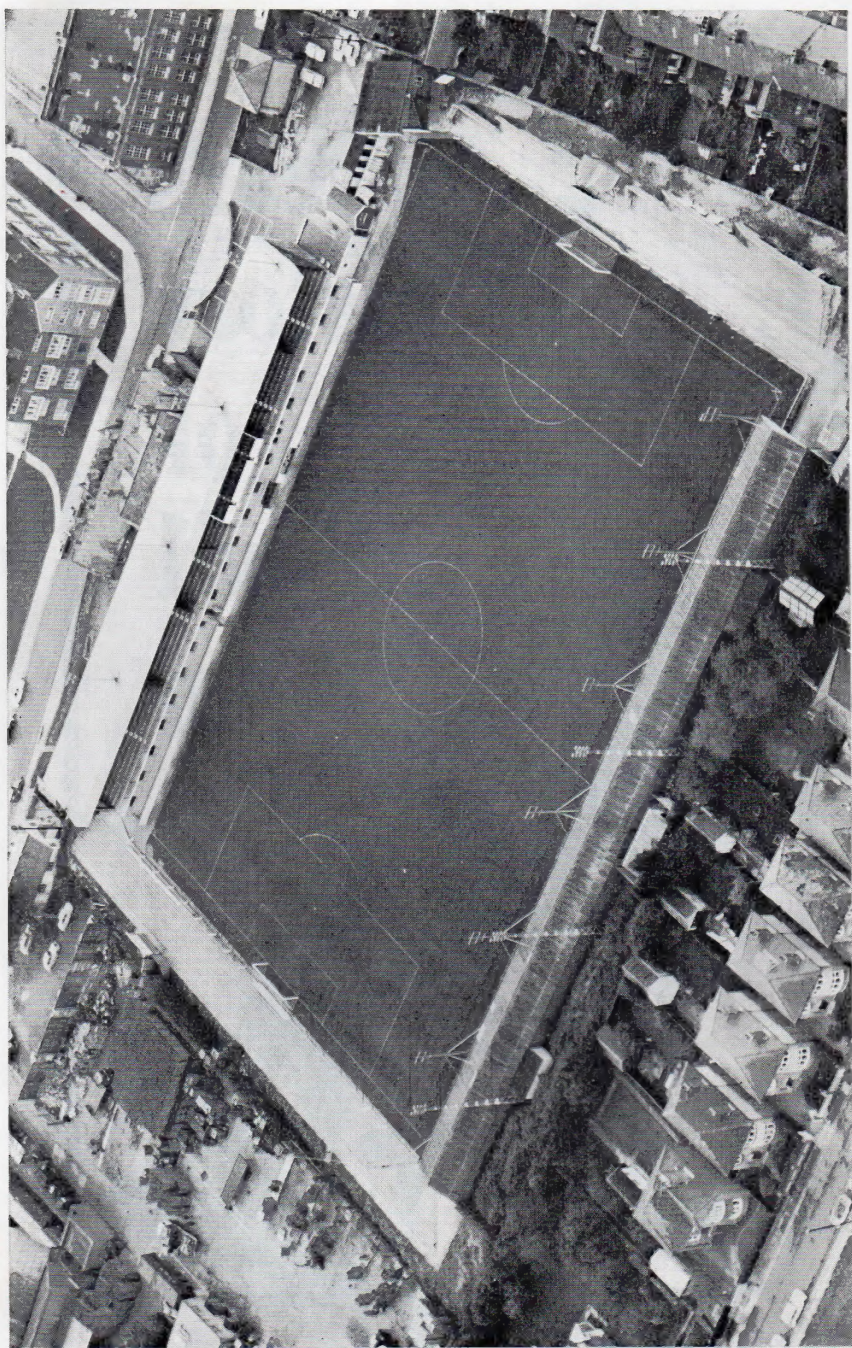


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**EDWARD C. WHEELDON,
Esq., C.B.E.
OUR PRESIDENT**

The Yeovil Town Football Club is proud to have as their President a man who has achieved so much in the years that he has spent in Yeovil. Apart from his success and wide experience as a leader in industry, Mr. Wheeldon, having spent most of his working life in Yeovil, has devoted much of his time to supporting many important activities in the town ; not the least of which has been the Yeovil Town Football Club.

He has served the Club for 33 years in varying capacities ; as director, as chairman of directors, and as President. His wise counsel and close practical interest has contributed in no small measure to the Club's successes over the years.

Mr. Wheeldon is well known for his association with other organisations in the town ; the Yeovil Rotary Club, and the Golf Club of which he is a director. He is also chairman of the Society which established and now runs the Old Folks Home known as Grovelands in Grove Avenue, and as chairman of the Yeovil Day Centre Society has been the inspiration behind this highly successful venture to help the old and lonely.

Mr. Wheeldon came to Yeovil in 1938 and was one of the main driving forces in establishing Yeovil as the centre of Britain's helicopter industry as far back as the late 40's. As Managing Director and then as Chairman of Westland he played a major part in building the company up to the size it is today and in so doing has greatly contributed to the overall prosperity of the town. Mr. Wheeldon is Treasurer of the Society of British Aerospace Companies, is a former President of that Society, and a Council member for many years. He was awarded the C.B.E. in 1959 for his services to Industry.

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Friends,

Seventy-five years of football, from the all amateur to the near all professional (part-time), from a field at Pen Mill to our present day modern well equipped stadium at Huish. Let us firstly give full credit and thanks to our predecessors for their foresight and generosity (money—time—labour), and equal praise to our present day officials and supporters, with a special mention for the Green and White Supporters' Club.

A study of our playing ability and achievements over the years to our **present day team**, which incidentally is, in the opinion of many of us, **the most accomplished and courageous side ever to wear the famous green and white colours**, will soon make others take notice and fulfil our main aim of Football League status for Yeovil Town F.C. We owe it to men like Len Harris (650 games not out), remiss of me perhaps to single out an individual player—but what a player and what a club-man, but no doubt similar niceties can be said of all the playing staff, not forgetting the Trainer (M. O'Donnell) and that great hearted player-manager Mike Hughes, who continues to give Yeovil Town the spirit and attractive football enjoyed so much by so many.

However, when all is said and done there is no doubt that you and I will get the team and facilities and football status that our efforts deserve. We shall have our “ups and downs,” likes and dislikes, but when the whistle ends the match let us sportingly give praise where it is due and at the same time give thanks to the One above for giving us the health and strength to appreciate the great game of football.

In conclusion my most grateful thanks to you the Press (in particular The Western Gazette), television (Westward) and other advertising media. Yeovil Town F.C. will make the news and you must convey it to our many friends in Great Britain and indeed the World.

On behalf of my President and co-Directors, good luck to you all, with continuing success for this great little club.

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— John Lukins, Sports Editor, The Western Gazette
tells the Yeovil F.A. Cup Story

Yeovil Town are without a doubt the most famous non-League F.A. Cup giant-killers of all time. For nearly 50 years they have been knocking Football League clubs out of the nation's most glamorous competition, and when Arsenal visited Huish on 6th January, 1971, it was the eighth time that Yeovil had gone into the hat alongside the greatest teams in the country for the third round draw. This is a record no other non-league team can equal.

Although Yeovil started putting Football League clubs out of the Cup as early as 1924, the first time they reached the third round proper was in 1934/35. And that year they attracted a crack First Division team to Huish—Liverpool.

Pay for most of Yeovil's professionals in that memorable year was £2 a week. Top man was on £4.

In the qualifying competition success came easily at Tiverton and also against an all-amateur Wells City side. Glastonbury put up a good fight on their own ground before going out 2—1, and Weymouth were smashed 6—2 in the fourth qualifying round at Huish.

The first round victory over Crystal Palace was rated "the biggest triumph in Yeovil's history." There was a record gate of 8,762 to see the Palace, who were one of the strongest teams in the competition at that stage. Yeovil took the lead in the 25th minute through McNeil. Jimmy Parle and Louis Page made the final score 3—0.

Third Division Exeter City attracted 10,000 spectators for the next round, including 3,500 of their own fans. Yeovil won 4—1 with goals from Crewe (2), Page and Smith.

When the third round draw was known, Yeovil's Chairman George Fox said "no" to playing the game at Liverpool. Once again all records were broken. The gate was 11,830 and takings £1,360.

Flags of all nations were displayed in the shops, and Yeovil took on a carnival atmosphere to greet the 1,000 Lancashire supporters. Liverpool's side included international full-backs Blenkinsopp and Cooper, who between them cost Liverpool the then amazing sum of £13,000. Yeovil went ahead after five minutes through McNeil, but Liverpool made it 1—1 at half time and went on to win 6—2. McNeil had Yeovil's second.

The glory trail had ended—but at least Yeovil never had to go through the early qualifying rounds again. Their performances earned them exemption until the fourth qualifying round from then on.

Three years later Yeovil were in the third round again. They opened on 13th November, 1937, with a 3—0 win at Radstock, and followed by beating Ipswich—also a Southern League side then—by 2—1, Kirk and Attley scoring.

In the second round Gainsborough Trinity, a Midland League club, came to Yeovil with a big reputation having ousted Port Vale in the previous round. Snow was cleared to enable the game to be played, and Yeovil won 2—1, Dave Halliday scoring both.

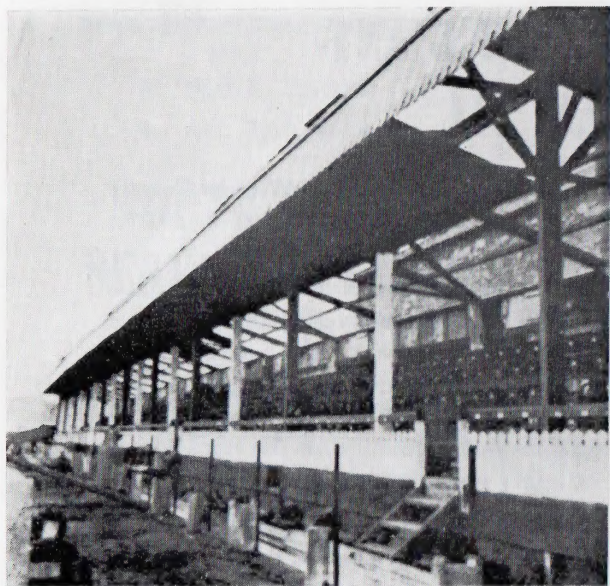
Sold to Aberdeen

The third round saw Halliday and his men off to Old Trafford to play Manchester United, who were then a Second Division side. A crowd of 49,000 paid £3,035 to see this game, and 350 Yeovil supporters among them saw their team beaten 3—0. Consolation came from the standing ovation Yeovil received at the end, and the £250 the club received for transferring winger Charlie Smith to Aberdeen after the match.

The very next year Yeovil were back in the headlines again. This time they beat Barry, and then chalked up a 2—1 win over Brighton at Huish. Graham and Laing scored the goals against the Sussex side, who at the time were seventh in the Southern Section of Division Three.

In the second round Yeovil met a team from their own league—Folkestone—and won after a replay. This gave them a third-round tie away to Sheffield Wednesday, who were in the Second Division.

Yeovil, managed by Billy Kingdon, were given a royal welcome in Yorkshire and the day before the match were introduced from the stage of the Gaumont, Sheffield, where the audience were



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Everywhere they went Yeovil were feted. They drew 1—1, and when they returned to their hotel could not have been better treated had they won the cup. The match itself was watched by 24,466, and there would have been more but for bad weather and other cup-ties in the vicinity. They saw Robinson score for Sheffield after 41 minutes, and Carter level nine minutes after half-time.

On the following Thursday there were only 65 Sheffield supporters at Huish for the replay, but the gate was a record 14,359 and 300—400 had to be turned away.

By 1.30 p.m. the ground was filled—and there was almost a disaster. The cover at the Queen Street end was split from one end to the other by fans on the roof, and they were moved just in time by the police or the whole lot might have come down.

Yeovil lost 2—1, Green getting their goal from a penalty, but they played magnificently. A B.B.C. commentator suggested they should change their name from "Yeovil and Petters United" to "Yeovil and Peppers United" because they were hot stuff!

The war years intervened, and then came The year—1948/49.

Under young manager Alec Stock, Yeovil had the greatest Cup run in their history. They reached the fifth round—a record for non-league clubs—and in their fifth-round match at Maine Road they were watched by 81,565 fans, the biggest post-war cup crowd for a match other than a Wembley final. In the previous round the Huish gate record of 17,100 was set when Sunderland were the visitors. On both occasions many were shut out.

It all started quietly enough with a 3—2 win at Lovells Athletic. Yeovil fans, who outnumbered home supporters by 2 to 1, saw Eric Bryant (2) and a Lovells defender score to put them through. Isthmian League Romford were beaten 4—0 at Huish in the first round (Bryant 2, Hamilton, Hargreaves).

At Weymouth in the second round Yeovil set a new ground record of 12,000. They took their full quota of 3,000 fans, who witnessed another 4—0 win. The same trio shared the goals as in the previous match.

The visit of Bury in the third round really set the town alight. They had beaten Second Division leaders W.B.A. the previous week and were expected to win at a canter.

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A number of shops in the town were shut and essential services manned by skeleton staffs. Throughout the week three supporters—Edwin Robbins (72), Ted Perrott, 68-year-old chairman of the Supporters' Club, and Ted Cooper (71)—laid dozens of sleepers and shovelled tons of soil to provide an extension of the Jubilee terrace.

Mrs. Minnie Gilham, 86, of East Coker, said : “ Win or lose, I will still continue to organize my whist drives in the village for Yeovil F.C.”

Yeovil were the only non-league side left at this stage and the gate was 13,500. The match was filmed, and 21-year-old Secretary Ivan Rendall was congratulated on his organization.

Jackie Hargreaves put Yeovil ahead after seven minutes, but Dave Massart—later to join Weymouth—levelled. Ray Wright restored Yeovil's lead before half-time and Bobby Hamilton had the third midway through the second half.

At the end of the game cheering lasted for about an hour, and did not die down until Alec Stock publicly thanked the fans over the loudspeakers. Bury's Manager Norman Bullock said, “ Yeovil were easily the better side. Their standard of play was better than anything I expected and they backed it up by lots of confidence and team spirit.”

This victory put Yeovil into the fourth round for the first time and there was a record crowd of 17,100 to see First Division Sunderland, one of the crack sides in the country. One thousand fans made a 14-hour trip from Sunderland, and others paid £10 to fly.

Early-morning queues

On the day of the match hundreds were unable to get in, and they were allowed to hear B.B.C. commentary on the game on police car radios outside. Queues started forming at 8 a.m. and by noon a half-mile crowd, six deep, stretched along Huish.

Yeovil won 2—1 after extra time, Alec Stock putting them ahead and Eric Bryant notching the winner.

Sunderland Chairman Col. Joe Prior said, “ You won the game deservedly. In 30 years in football I have never experienced such a warm welcome.” Their manager Bill Murray added, “ We have

no excuse to make. There has been too much talk about the slope. There is nothing in it. The truth of the matter is we were beaten by a better side."

The fifth round tie at Maine Road against cup-holders and 7—2 favourites Manchester United attracted a mammoth 81,565 crowd. Gates were shut 20 minutes before the start with thousands locked out.

Yeovil had been front page news in Canada, France, Belgium and Sweden, and Matt Busby sent a message to Chairman H. A. Smith to say, "A great welcome awaits you in Manchester. Everyone is looking forward to your visit." He wasn't kidding.

The Yeovil team left early on Thursday morning to the accompaniment of engine whistles and detonators. A group of players dashed out of the train at the last moment to collect a crate of eggs and sherry which was nearly left behind and which the team "trained on." Early morning workers chattered them off and groups of fans and slogans appeared on other stations en route.

When Yeovil arrived in Manchester they were treated like film stars. Everywhere they went they were besieged by wellwishers and autograph hunters and more than once they had to call for police aid.

The team received hundreds of good-luck messages including one from Gloversville, U.S.A. Six special trains took 3,000 fans to Manchester and there were nearly 6,000 Yeovil supporters in the crowd.

Manchester United received a great roar when Johnny Carey led them on the field. But this was nothing compared with the cheer that greeted Alec Stock and 10-year-old mascot Rex Rainey as they led out Yeovil's side. Yeovil winger Jackie Hargreaves failed a fitness test and Jack Roy took over. The Yeovil team for this historic match was Stan Hall, Arthur Hickman, Ralph Davis, Bob Keeton, Les Blizzard, Nick Collins, Jack Roy, Alec Stock, Eric Bryant, Ray Wright, Bobby Hamilton.

United won 8—0, and as a match it was an anti-climax. Yeovil forced a corner after 30 seconds but that was their last. Jack Rowley scored five United goals and Burke (2) and Charlie Mitten the other.

After the match Manchester's Matt Busby said: "Yeovil played hard and never gave up trying. Their performance was a

credit to non-league clubs." Added Vice-Chairman Harold Hardman : " The most sporting game we have seen. Yeovil have left a lasting impression."

The following year Yeovil were back in the third round again. Because of the previous season's exploits they were exempt until the first round proper. In this they met Romford, beaten finalists in the previous year's F.A. Amateur Cup, and coasted to a 4—1 win.

Yeovil beat Gillingham 3—1 in the second round, and among the 13,100 crowd at Huish was 11-months-old John Trott, who travelled 360 miles from Chatham with his parents to cheer Yeovil.

Cup fever returned in earnest for the visit to Second Division Chesterfield in the third round, and 2,000 Yeovil fans travelled to help swell the gate to 24,288.

The night before the game Yeovil were entertained at Sheffield, where they were invited backstage at the pantomime. The next morning some eating places opened at 5.30 a.m. to cater for Yeovil fans, and pubs—well stocked with cider—were permitted to open at 4 p.m., the first time since the war that such an extension had been granted.

Natty Chislett did his usual pre-match antics in the centre of the field, and two huge gloves were carried around by Yeovil fans. Yeovil played well—the crowd gave them a standing ovation—and were unlucky to lose 3—1. Reg Halton, the Chesterfield skipper, commented : " It was a really tough game for us."

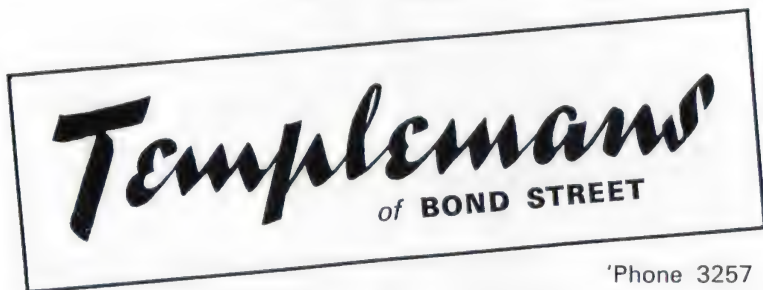
However, Yeovil were far from despondent, and on the station, before the journey home, Arthur Hickman and Les Blizzard conducted community singing.

Press on their side

Yeovil had to wait until 1957/58 before they appeared in the third round again—and to get this far called for no giant-killing exploits. Bideford, Guildford after a replay, and Bath City were all put out, and on 4th January 3,000 Yeovil fans, including the Mayor (Ald. W. J. English) travelled to Craven Cottage where 40,000 spectators saw Second Division Fulham win 4—0.

Yeovil had their bad luck early on. Harry Robshaw scored what looked a great goal from 40 yards but referee R. H. Windle disallowed it because Don Travis was alleged to have impeded the

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goal-keeper. Yeovil had the national Press on their side over this. Daily Mail—"Why referee Windle said 'No goal' is a mystery." News Chronicle—"Little Yeovil can look back on their exit with a lot of pride." Daily Mirror—"Windle's decision cost Yeovil a goal which might have inspired another of their giant-killing performances."

Fulham had all their goals in the second half, Jimmy Hill getting the first two.

In 1963/64 Yeovil embarked on a fine run with Basil Hayward in the manager's seat.

It started on the Isle of Wight, where Cowes, who play in the Hampshire League, were beaten by an Adam Moffat goal. The crowd of 3,000 was the biggest at Cowes since 1938.

First round visitors were Southend, a side from the lower reaches of the Third Division. They were beaten 1—0 when Terry Foley scored in the 80th minute. One Sunday paper called Yeovil "the most gentlemanly non-league team in the cup."

Crystal Palace were the next victims, and this match was a real triumph for Yeovil. Palace were in third place in the Third Division and they went on to win promotion. Cheered on by a crowd of 10,900, some 1,500 of whom came from London, Yeovil took the lead through Dave Taylor and Ken Pound made it 2—0 at half-time. Wood pulled one back, but a minute from the end Taylor snatched Yeovil's third. Bill Glazier—later to join Coventry for a big fee—"gave" Yeovil two of their goals.

Yeovil's team—Dave Jones, Alan Herritty, Len Harris, Bill Albury, Roy Lambden, George Muir, Tony Pounder, Terry Foley, Peter Hall, Dave Taylor, Ken Pound.

The papers were lavish in their praise for Yeovil . . .

Mike Langley (Daily Express) : "Yeovil are the best non-league side I have ever seen and I have seen plenty. They footballled so smoothly and intelligently and unceasingly throughout the first half that Palace looked the non-league team. I salute these green-shirted supermen of Somerset".

Roger Malone (Daily Herald) : "Yeovil emerged as one of the astonishing cup giant-killing teams of all time."

In the third round on 4th January, 1964, Yeovil entertained Bury, from near the foot of the Second Division before a crowd of

VICE-PRESIDENTS' AND PLAYERS' ROOM



12,055. Dave Jones, the Yeovil goal-keeper, made two first-half mistakes and each time George Jones had the ball in the net. Thus Yeovil's run ended by 2—0 against a side that did not look so impressive as Crystal Palace.

No review of Yeovil's cup runs would be complete without some mention of last season's achievements, which culminated with a visit to Huish of mighty Arsenal on 6th January, 1971.

After beating Poole and Aveley, an Athenian League side, Yeovil travelled to Bournemouth in the second round, and a goal by Cliff Myers knocked out John Bond's Fourth Division promotion-chasers. "Yeovil could have won 4—0," said honest Bond.

When the third round draw came through—home to Arsenal—player-manager Mike Hughes summed up Yeovil's feelings. "We wanted a big one," he said, "and they don't come much bigger than this." Hughes was right. The famous Arsenal side were currently second in the First Division and holders of the European Fairs Cup. Their first team included nine men who had been internationals at one level or another, and they had three £100,000 players who couldn't get into the side. Yeovil's team had cost them £250.

Yeovil increased prices from the usual 6s. 6d. for grandstand and 4s. 6d. for the terraces, to 30s. and 15s. Season-ticket holders were given permission to buy two tickets, and Yeovil enrolled 40 new "seasons" at £5 a time before they suspended sales.

Police fixed the ticket limit at 14,500—much to the annoyance of Yeovil's Chairman Norman Burfield. He told fans: "Bring your skipping ropes—there'll be plenty of room to skip."

Yeovil put their tickets on sale before a Wednesday night Southern League match with Worcester, and this game attracted their biggest Southern League crowd for 15 years: 8,102. Two schoolteachers started the queue at 8.30 a.m. and by the time the gates opened, thousands were lining up. Arsenal returned 1,300 of their 3,600 tickets, but these were soon snapped up and the match was a complete sell out.

On the Saturday of the match, referee Mr. W. J. Gow (Swansea) called the game off at 11 a.m. because of the icy conditions, but not in time to stop several Arsenal fans travelling.

Yeovil agreed to refund cash to anyone unable to get to the match when it was re-fixed for Wednesday afternoon, but if anything, interest grew. Only 100 or so tickets were actually sent back, and these were soon sold. Hundreds were turned away.

Day off for 7,000

The day of the match was also the day the schools were due to restart after the holidays, but 7,000 children were given an extra day off. In addition, workers took half days, and at Westland Aircraft, only 3,500 of the 6,500 workers arrived in the afternoon. The others had to take the half day as part of their annual leave.

About 50 pressmen were at the match, plus several T.V. and film crews. The crowd of 14,500 was the second biggest in Yeovil's history, and the takings a record at £12,500. Ticket touts were asking £5—£6 for 30s. tickets and £3 for 15s. places.

Before the match fights broke out in the standing accommodation at the Queen Street end and ten fans appeared in court next day.

Among the spectators who saw Yeovil lose 3—0 to goals from John Radford (2) and Ray Kennedy, were Eric Bryant and Alec Stock, the men who netted when Yeovil beat Sunderland.

Afterwards, Bertie Mee, the Arsenal Manager, commented : "Yeovil put up a tremendous show. They made us fight for everything we got." Their Chairman Dennis Hill-Wood was very impressed with Yeovil's facilities, and said : "Arsenal will certainly back Yeovil's bid for a place in the Football League."

Said Mike Hughes : "Arsenal were a great side—but we made them fight."



Arsenal's third goal!

Yeovil Town F.C.

1895—1971

Soccer is indisputably the national game and lovers of the code in the Yeovil area are fortunate in being able to see such a high standard of play as provided at Huish over the years. Yeovil for seventy-five years has occupied a prominent position in the game.

Football first came to Yeovil in the 1900/01 season when a club known as the Yeovil Football Club played Rugby and Association Football on alternate Saturdays on a ground in West Hendford. The real birth of the club as we know today took place in 1895 with the formation of Yeovil Casuals, the ground was at the Pen Mill Athletic Ground and the Headquarters the Pen Mill Hotel, the club colours were green and white stripes and at the end of the first season the club showed a profit of £11 18s. 1d.

In the season 1897/98 more matches were played than ever before, competitions entered being the Somerset Senior League, Somerset Senior Cup, Somerset Junior Cup and also the English Amateur Cup. At the end of this season an application was made for the Huish Athletic Ground (to the Brewery Company) but it was unsuccessful.

The seasons 1899 to 1905 produced some interesting matches on the Pen Mill Ground. The competitions entered by the First team in these years were the Somerset, Dorset and Wiltshire County Leagues.

It was in the season 1907/08 that the title of the club was changed from the Yeovil Casuals to the Yeovil Town F.C. and new jerseys, green with white cuffs were decided upon.

The season 1911/12 was about the most successful so far in the history of the club. The Somerset Senior League Championship was won and the Somerset Senior Challenge Cup.

Another club was founded in 1908 called Petters United whose colours were amber and black, they played at Brickyard Lane and played as a Junior club in the Yeovil and District League. Right from the onset there was much rivalry between the Casuals, which were recognised as the Town Club and the newly formed organisation. After a few years Petters United entered Senior football in the same competitions as Yeovil Town and the rivalry then became even more intense.

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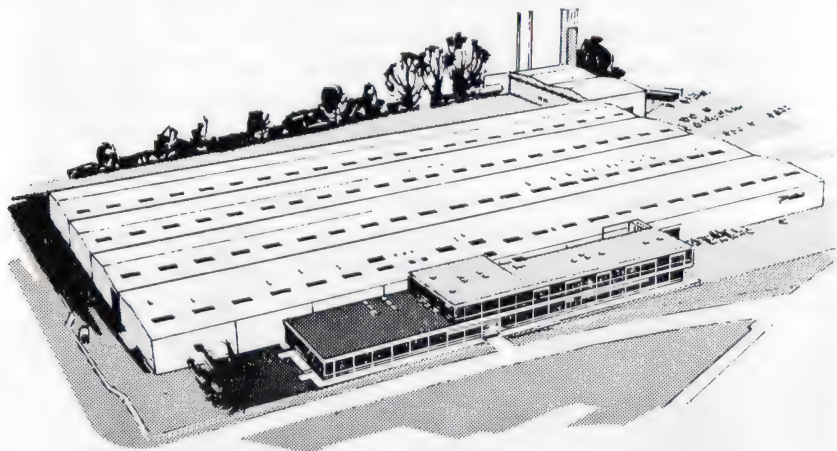
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The important decision to amalgamate was arrived at by the two clubs in the early months of 1914. Everything was ready to start in the 1914/15 season as a combined club when the war broke out. The game was suspended during the war years but when 1919 came steps were quickly taken to put Yeovil back in its former position in the football world. The scheme agreed upon in 1914 was put into operation. The accommodation at the Pen Mill ground was improved,, there being two Stands, one having been removed from the Petters United ground. Two senior teams were run, the competitions entered were the Western League Division Two and the Dorset and Wilts Leagues.

The change of ground from Pen Mill to Huish now took place and professionalism was introduced. The premier competition entered was the Western League Division One and from a playing point of view the season 1920/21 was a fairly successful one, Yeovil and Petters United finishing in seventh position.

In the 1921/22 season Yeovil won the Western League Division One and Johnny Hayward was leading goal-scorer with 60 goals.

In 1922 the most important step forward was made when the club gained admittance to the Southern League. A scheme was put in hand for the erection of dressing rooms on the ground and the ground stand was extended.

In this first season in the Southern League Yeovil played 38 games and obtained 26 points.

In 1923 it was agreed to form the Yeovil Football and Athletic Club Limited, and it was registered on 3rd May of that year. It was laid down that the number of Directors should not be more than 14, of whom four should in the first instance be nominated by the members of the Yeovil Town Football Club, four by members of Petters Football Club, two by the Yeovil and Petters United Football Supporters' Club and the remaining four should be appointed by the Shareholders.

On 5th May, 1923, the important decision was made to engage the club's first manager, he was Mr. Jack Gregory of Queen's Park Rangers.

The new player-manager in his first season got together a side that won the Southern League (Western Section) which comprised the following teams :—Swansea, Plymouth Argyle, Yeovil, Newport County, Bristol City, Cardiff City, Exeter City, Pontypridd, Bristol

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Champions Southern League



Back row : Pete Withey, George Muir, Bill Albury, Glyn Davies (*Player-Manager*), Ernie Ashe, Colin Webber
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Front row : Malcolm Hurst, Dave Taylor, Peter Watts, Dave Topping

Rovers, Torquay United, Weymouth, Ebbw Vale, Llanelly, Bridgend Town, Swindon Town, Aberavon Athletic, Barry and Bath City.

In the early part of the following season Yeovil had to journey to Peterborough to play Peterborough and Fletten United in the final of the Southern League Competition, and although having the better of the play lost by four goals to two.

In 1924/25 the club played and defeated their first Football League opponents, Bournemouth and Boscombe, by three goals to two.

On Boxing Day, 1926, tragedy struck the club when a popular and promising young half-back named Hyman met with a fatal injury when playing against Taunton Town.

In the spring of 1927 Yeovil made their first application for admittance to the Third Division of the Football League. For this purpose a guarantee of £1,000 was raised from people interested in the club.

At the end of the 1928/29 season Jack Gregory resigned the position of player-manager and Tommy Lowes was appointed to succeed him. The F.A. Cup proved to be the only success in the 1928/29 season, Yeovil losing to Plymouth Argyle before a crowd of 6,299 at Huish in November.

It was during the close season of 1929 that the Board of Directors, with Mr. W. J. Farthing as chairman, decided to appoint a first class player-manager. Out of the many applications received the post was offered to David Pratt (Celtic, Liverpool and Bury). Some good football had previously been seen at Huish but under the Pratt management the club met with successes never hitherto dreamed of. In his first season the club made a profit of £1,200 and Yeovil went full-time for the first time with a weekly wage bill of £50.

Season 1931/32 was the club's most successful season to date. The Southern League (Western Section) Championship was won and the club finished third in the London Combination Division Two. The Second Round of the F.A. Cup was reached, Yeovil losing to Fulham after a replay. At the end of the season no fewer than five players were transferred to Football League Clubs.

In the summer of 1933 Yeovil again were searching for a new player-manager. From over one hundred applications Louis Page, the ex-Burnley player, was selected. He came at a somewhat

critical time in the club's affairs, but helped to make history. Under his leadership, Yeovil advanced further than ever before in the F.A. Cup. In the season 1934/35 they defeated Crystal Palace and then Exeter City, and it was not until they met Liverpool in the Third Round that their great run ended. Before the Cup run the finances of the club were in very low waters but the problem was overcome.

In the summer of 1935 Yeovil appointed David Halliday as the new player-manager. Halliday had little time to sign new players and his first season was disastrous, the dismissal from the F.A. Cup by the amateurs Newport I.O.W. in the first round, was a shock from which it was impossible to recover.

After this dismal start, Halliday was given a comparatively free hand, and dispensing with players already on the books, he commenced team building afresh. Joe Langford (Torquay), Hogg (Cork), Burgess (Sunderland), Tommy Mann (Carlisle), Doncaster (Exeter City), Attley (Cardiff City), Smith (Rotherham), Payne (Millwall) and Heward (Newcastle United) were the new players in whom Yeovil pinned their hopes to make a come-back after a season in which the club was only just able to keep its head above water.

Hopes were fulfilled. The achievement of reaching the Second Round of the Cup and a good league position put Yeovil back on the right road once again.

The pick of the previous season's players were retained for 1937/38, new signings being Kingham (Luton), Bewick (Newcastle), Smith (Exeter City), Kirk (Albion Rovers) and Whyte (Raith Rovers).

The highlight of the season was again the F.A. Cup, Yeovil going out in the Third Round 0—3 against Manchester United at Old Trafford. Consolation, however, lay in the fact that their share of the "gate" of £3,035 was well over a thousand pounds—a welcome contribution to the club coffers. During the season Halliday left the club to become manager of Aberdeen and as his successor came Billy Kingdon, a full-back who was nine seasons with Aston Villa and two with Southampton. In this last season before the outbreak of the second world war, it was to Kingdon that distinction fell to write the finest page of Yeovil's soccer history to date.

After defeating Brighton and Hove and Folkestone Yeovil were matched against Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough. Had

fortune run Yeovil's way at all during the match at Hillsborough, a replay would not have been necessary for they would have won at the first time of asking.

There were amazing scenes at Huish for the replay when a record attendance of 14,329 crammed every inch of accommodation. However, the odd goal in three sealed Yeovil's fate.

On the 3rd September, 1939, began the greatest "battle" of all time—the fight for liberty in which past and present players distinguished themselves on land, sea and in the air. The last match played at Huish was on 27th January, 1940, when Lovells were defeated. The ground was handed over to the Ministry of War and competitive football came to a halt.

With the re-formation in 1945 of the Southern League, in which 14 clubs took part, Yeovil had the assistance of a number of outstanding "guest" stars from Houndstone Camp. When Billy Kingdon relinquished his post at the end of the 1945/46 season, the advertised managerial vacancy attracted over 60 applicants from all parts of the country, including internationally famous Cliff Bastin.

From the short list of six names, a comparative "unknown" to the majority of Yeovil supporters was chosen—Alec Stock, who prior to joining Yeovil had played with Charlton Athletic and Q.P.R. The team Stock got together steadily worked its way to the top of the Southern League where they remained for a long spell. Unfortunately the championship was not yet due to come to Huish, Merthyr Tydfil, then the most outstanding team in non-league football, won the trophy.

Season 1947/48 saw Yeovil off to a brilliant start when games were being won by four and five goals, but the magic spell wore off and Yeovil really hit rock bottom when they were knocked out of the F.A. Cup 2—1 by Street.

By contrast however the 1948/49 season was one of the most exciting in the history of the club. Yeovil reached the last sixteen of the F.A. Cup and became famous not only in this country, but world-wide. As in the middle 1930's the clubs finances were in a precarious position but the £3,000 plus received from the Manchester Cup-tie put matters right. The team on duty v. Manchester was :—Hall, Hickman, Davis, Keeton, Blizzard, Collins, Hamilton, Stock, Bryant, Wright and Roy. It was during the 1948/49 season that the Southern League Cup was won for the first time.

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In October 1949, George Patterson was appointed manager and a few weeks later Eric Bryant was transferred to Plymouth Argyle for £2,750. Yeovil again reached the Third Round of the F.A. Cup, won the Somerset Professional Cup for the third time in four years and finished third in the Southern League.

For the next four seasons the only honour to come to Huish was the Somerset Professional Cup, won in 1950/51 and again in 1953/54. Lionel Phillips was transferred to Portsmouth for £1,000. Cliff Mansley with 28 goals was leading goal-scorer in 1949/50, Joe Rae with 37 in 1950/51, followed by Hugh Colvin with 16 in 1951/52, and Billy Lunn with 25 in 1952/53 and again in 1953/54.

In 1953 the club appointed Ike Clarke from Portsmouth as player-manager and the club were about to move into another very successful spell. In his first season the club finished third in the league and with a young side retained prospects for the 1954/55 season looked good. Yeovil got off to a terrible start however, losing the first match at home 2—5 to Hereford United and three days later they travelled to Lovells Athletic and lost again, this time by three goals to nil. From there on the season proved to be a wonderful one, the only exception being the early Cup exit at Barnstaple by 3—1 in the Fourth Qualifying Round. The club won the Southern League, the Southern League Cup, the Somerset Professional Cup and the Reserves won the Western League Division Two.

Not until the last game of the season, 7th May, was the championship won. With only fifteen minutes remaining Jim Frazer scored Yeovil's second goal in the 2—2 draw with Hastings to give Yeovil the point they required. Had Yeovil lost Weymouth would have been champions, their players were sat in the Stand waiting to receive the Shield. It was during the season that the Floodlights were installed and the touring side I.F.K. Stockholm were beaten 5—1.

The 1955/56 season proved to be an anti-climax, the club winning only the Somerset Professional Cup and finishing third in the league. Yeovil did record their biggest league win since the war when Kidderminster were beaten 10—0 on 27th December, only the day before they had beaten us 4—2 ! The season finished on a very disappointing note for after defeating Gloucester City 4—1 at Huish in the first leg of the Southern League Cup, Yeovil lost the return leg a week later by 1—5 and with it the Cup.

In the 1957/58 season the club once again reached Round Three of the F.A. Cup, losing 0—4 to Fulham at Craven Cottage. During the season Mick Nagy and Johnny McKay had their benefit with a match against an International XI.

The following season, 1958/59, saw the re-organisation of the Southern League. The league was split into two regions, South-East and North-West with the top eleven clubs in each league making up the new Premier Division the following season. Yeovil finished fourth in the South-East region. They also won the Inter-Zone Competition and defeated Southend United in the F.A. Cup. Len Harris a young 18-year-old half-back was signed from Crystal Palace.

1960/61 saw the arrival of Basil Hayward as player-manager and the departure of Danny Paton back to Hearts. The Southern League Cup was won, Chelmsford City were beaten in the replay 2—0 after finishing 3—3 on aggregate in the first two legs. In the league the club finished in third position, whilst in the F.A. Cup Walsall were beaten 1—0 at Fellows Park. Dave Taylor was leading goal-scorer with 59 goals. Bedford were beaten 10—0 at Huish on 4th March, 1961, Yeovil's team that year being :—Jones, Lyons, Hayward, Albury, Blackburn, McLaughlin, Pounder, Paton, Kelly, Taylor and Ashe.

During 1962 plans were drawn up for a new Grandstand. This would seat over 2,000 spectators and under the Stand would be the dressing rooms, treatment rooms, Boardroom, Vice-Presidents' room together with bars and accommodation for the Supporters' Club to hold dances and bingo. All the home fixtures were brought forward and in April the old stand which had been used in the Pen Mill days was demolished and the new £60,000 replacement started. In the years to come this large investment was to prove to be an excellent one with extra revenue obtained both from extra "gate" takings and also from the Social activities held every night of the week.

At the start of the 1963 season the bulk of the work had been finished and by the time the F.A. Cup-ties came round all was completed. The first time the "sold out" notices were displayed was Saturday 16th November v. Southend United.

Season 1963/64 again proved to be a good one for the Club. Both the first two games were lost to Cambridge City 1—4 and two days later 0—1 to Bath City. In the remaining 40 league matches

only 31 goals were conceded and the Championship was won with three points to spare over Chelmsford City. Few however gave Yeovil a chance at Christmas when Romford were still unbeaten and twelve points ahead. They won only one more game however and finished fifth.

Once again the Third Round of the F.A. Cup was reached by defeating Cowes, Southend and Crystal Palace. In the Third Round Bury visited Huish, but it was not to be 1948/49 all over again, and before 12,055 spectators they ran out winners by two goals to nil.

In February of that season Basil Hayward handed over the player-manager's position to Glyn Davies (ex Derby County and Swansea). Dave Taylor was once again leading goalscorer with 48 goals followed by Terry Foley with 30 and Peter Hall with 18. The regular team that season being :—Jones, Herritty, Harris, Albury, Lambden, Muir, Pounder, Foley, Hall, Taylor and either Ashe or Pound.

At the end of the 1964/65 season Yeovil received a fee of £750 when Glyn Davies was released to take up the Managership of Swansea Town, his place was taken by Joe MacDonald who had formally played with Notts Forest and was a member of their F.A. Cup winning team which defeated Luton 2—1 in May, 1959.

Season 1965/66 saw the Club win the Southern League Cup once again, Guildford City were beaten 2—1 on aggregate in the final. The Western Counties Floodlight League was formed, Yeovil's first match against Weymouth attracted 3,153 spectators. Yeovil easily won the league. The points system being 4 points for an away win, 3 for a home win, 1 for a home draw and 2 for an away draw.

Season 1966/67 proved to be a very disappointing one in all respects. The Club finished in 14th position, the lowest since the war. Gates fell away to the smallest ever at Huish. There was a general air of depression hanging over Huish. Manager MacDonald was not re-engaged and in April, 1967 Ron Saunders was appointed Manager. At the end of the season there was a massive clear out of the playing staff. During the summer many new signings were made and with a great deal of publicity the 1967/68 season opened with a home match against Chelmsford City. The gate of 3,424 had little to cheer however, in the first eighty

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minutes as Yeovil went two down but two goals from Dave Taylor in the last ten minutes won the point. After being well up with the leaders until Christmas the second half of the season ended disappointingly, a mid-table position being achieved.

On 11th May, 1968 Len Harris made his 500th appearance for the Club.

For a long time during 1968/69 it looked as if the Championship would again come to Huish. Right into the New Year Yeovil were heading the league but we were always just two players short of a good team and finally finished eighth.

It was in February of the 1968/69 season that once again Yeovil made football history when Ron Saunders was appointed manager of Second Division Oxford United. This being the first time that a manager had moved from non-league football to Division Two. From the early days it was obvious his ambition to get to the top of football management would sooner or later pay off. As things worked out it was sooner than later. Months previous however he had nearly landed the managers job at Shrewsbury and later at Brighton and Hove. His will to let nothing stand in his way is best illustrated by the way in which, 24 hours before his interview at Oxford, he cut plaster from his broken foot, just in case the fact his leg was in plaster might have gone against him. Many will disagree with his ruthless professional outlook to the game but few will argue with the fact that he came when the Club's fortunes were at its lowest ebb and his enthusiasm paved the way for better things to come.

The Directors now decided that the time had come to appoint a player-manager and in April, 1969 a twenty-seven year old player from Chesterfield was selected to be Yeovil's new "Boss." Mike Hughes in his first season very nearly brought the Championship to Huish.

Once again a successful season started disastrously, our first match at home to open the 1969/70 season was against Hillingdon who won 1—0, four days later again at home we could only draw. Then on Saturday, 16th August, 1969 the Club met with their biggest defeat for years, going down 0—7 at Margate.

This result proved to be the turning point however, and it was not until the last game of the season that Cambridge United finally pipped us for the Championship. We had the satisfaction of completing the double over them in the last two weeks of the season.



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At the end of the season Cyril Davies was transferred to Charlton Athletic for a fee of £5,000.

Season 1970/71 proved to be one of the greatest in the Club's long and proud history. Dick Plumb was transferred to Charlton Athletic in September, the Club receiving a £7,000 transfer fee. For the eighth time Yeovil reached the Third Round of the F.A. Cup. The home draw against Arsenal was the talking point throughout the country. Although beaten by three goals to nil Yeovil put up a fine performance. The biggest disappointment of the season was to reach the semi-final of the F.A. Trophy only to lose when the twin towers of Wembley Stadium were only ninety minutes away. No one was more upset than the players but it speaks very highly of the character of the present playing staff when they came back so magnificently to win the Southern League Championship. The scenes after the Hillingdon match, when the championship was finally won, will long be remembered. The climax to a wonderful season came when Charlton Athletic were beaten 4—0 in a friendly match and the Championship Shield was presented.

From 1895 to 1971 the name of Yeovil Town has been one of the greatest in non-league football. It can only be a matter of time before the "doors" are opened to the Football League to give Yeovil the reward the club so richly deserves.

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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SOUTHERN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The Southern League was formed in 1894/95 mainly due to the efforts of one club. In the year 1892 the Royal Arsenal Football Club circularised a number of other clubs with a view to forming a league. The interest waned however when they were admitted to The Football League at the end of the season. But in 1894, Mr. W. Henderson, Secretary of a flourishing Millwall F.C. again revived the idea and a meeting of clubs was called. These were Clapton, Chatham, Ilford, Luton, Reading and the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards. After the meeting other clubs expressed interest and eventually the first season saw the Southern League constituted into two divisions. They were as follows :—

Division One

Chatham
Clapton
Ilford
Luton Town
Millwall
Reading
Royal Ordnance
Southampton St. Mary's
Swindon Town

Division Two

Bromley
Chesham
Maidenhead
New Brompton (Gillingham)
Old St. Stephens
Sheppey United
Uxbridge

The first season Millwall were League Champions, who played throughout the season without losing a match.

By the year 1901 the league had gained in numbers and popularity, new Clubs included :—

Northampton, Q.P.R., West Ham United, Portsmouth, Bristol Rovers, Watford, Tottenham Hotspur and Bristol City.

The years between 1905—1920 saw the following clubs win the Championship :—

Bristol Rovers
Fulham (twice)
Q.P.R. (twice)
Northampton
Brighton & Hove (twice)
Swindon Town (twice)
Plymouth Argyle
Watford (twice)

In 1909/10 it was mooted that 18 clubs from the Southern League were to be included in the Football League as a new Third Division. Despite negotiations between the two managements of the Leagues, the clubs from the Football League did not support the proposal. But this great controversial question had now raised itself and was later to have some effect upon both Leagues. In fact some clubs did leave the Southern League for the Football League. These included Tottenham Hotspur, Fulham and Bristol City.

Following a meeting between representatives of the two leagues in Sheffield on 18th May, 1920 it was proposed by Watford and seconded by Norwich City :—

“ That this meeting of First Division Southern League clubs is of the opinion that the time is opportune for an application to form a Third Division consisting of a Northern Section and a Southern Section, further that the clubs comprising the Southern League First Division be selected en bloc to form the Southern Section.”

The vote was nineteen in favour, one against and one abstention.

On 29th May at the Football League's Annual General Meeting it was agreed : “ That, subject to the consent of the Football Association, a Third Division of the Football League be formed.”

The departing clubs who left to join the Football League were “ ordered ” to pay £25 each to safeguard the interests of the Southern League. Thus, the Southern League lost the following clubs :—

Brighton & Hove, Bristol Rovers, Brentford, Crystal Palace, Exeter City, Gillingham, Luton, Merthyr Town, Millwall, Northampton, Norwich, Newport Co., Plymouth Argyle,

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It is very surprising that the league should survive after losing twenty-two clubs of such quality. But it did, 1920 continued with two divisions comprised of 24 clubs, Brighton & Hove winning the First Division and Barry the Second.

The league was further extended in 1922, the following clubs joining the league :—

Bath City	Plymouth Argyle Res.
Bristol City Res.	Southend Utd. Res.
Bristol Rovers Res.	Swindon Town Res.
Coventry City Res.	Torquay Utd.
Exeter City Res.	Yeovil & Petters Utd.
Guildford	

From the 1923/24 season until 1932/33 the Southern League was made up of two sections of equal status. In the late twenties the number of clubs in the Southern League had risen to thirty-seven but due to the depression the membership of the league was down to nineteen, eight in the Eastern Section and eleven in the Western. At the beginning of 1933 the clubs became extremely anxious about the lack of fixtures. An attempt to interest new clubs met with little success. In February, 1934 a new Central Section of the Southern League was formed with clubs from both Eastern and Western Sections taking part. The next two seasons—1934/35 and 1935/36 saw only slight variations in the structure of the three Sections.

At the Management Committee meeting on 5th November, 1935 Mr. Hodgson of Guildford and Mr. W. Farthing of Yeovil suggested a re-arrangement of the League structure—one League to cover the whole of the Southern League area, with a mid-week section for those clubs needing extra fixtures for their first teams.

The 1936/37 season started with sixteen clubs in the League with ten of these clubs playing in the mid-week section. Ipswich Town who had just joined the League winning the Championship. This pattern of the League continued until the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939.

Within a few days of the end of war in Europe, Mr. Hodgson who was acting Secretary during those dark days, sent out a letter

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Matt O'Donnell (*Trainer*)

Left to right : Len Harris, Ron Bayliss, Alan Herritty, Bev Dixon, Paul Smith, Ken Thompson, Cliff Myers, Mike Hughes (Player-Manager), Chris Weller, Brian Grey, John Clancy, Stuart Housley, Andy McCluskey, Tony Clark, Alistair MacDonald

to all clubs asking their views on re-starting League Football in 1945/46.

The following Clubs formed the League in the first post-war season :—

Barry Town	Colchester Utd.
Bath City	Hereford Utd.
Bedford Town	Swindon Town Res.
Cardiff City Res.	Worcester City
Chelmsford City	Yeovil & Petters Utd.
Cheltenham Town	

Each season the League recovered a few more clubs, until in 1949/50 there were twenty-four in membership. This was the first of the three seasons when Merthyr Tydfil won the League.

The record for the lowest attendance occurred in 1950/51 when on 30th September sixty-four people paid to see Lovells Athletic beat Weymouth by 3—2. This season the number of clubs fell to twenty-three with Chingford United dropping out, the following year Torquay Reserves left the League. It then remained static up to and including 1957/58.

In the next two years there was a big expansion. Thirteen new clubs joined for 1958/59 which allowed two divisions to be formed, the South-Eastern zone and North-Western zone. It was decided that at the end of the season the top eleven clubs in each zone would form a new division to be known as the Premier Division. The remaining thirteen clubs, together with some Kent Clubs which were unable to join the League in the previous season would form the junior division which was to be known as the First Division.

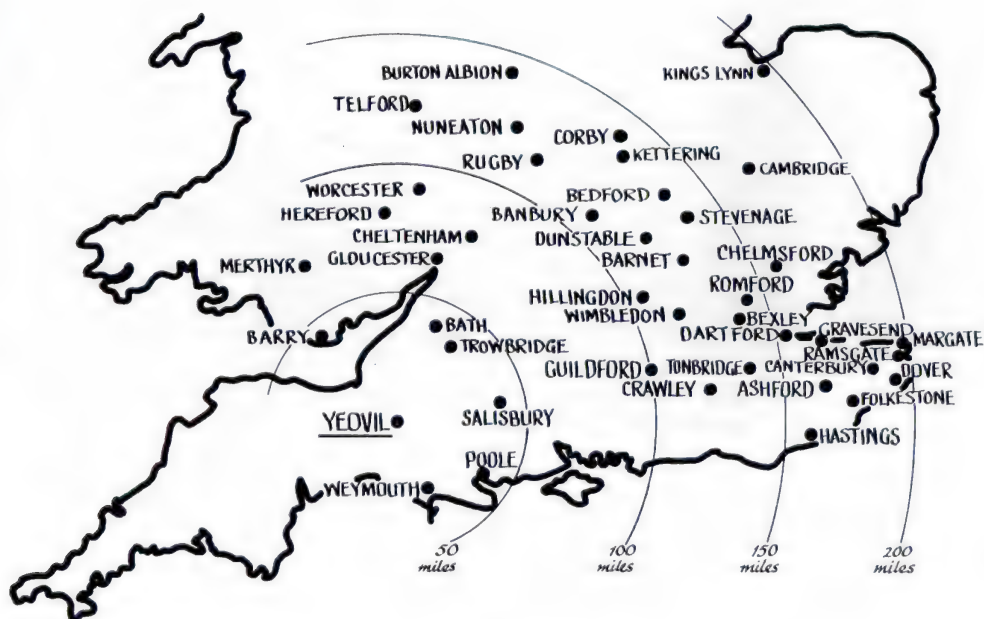
The following season—1959/60, saw ten clubs enter the league : Romford, Hinckley Athletic, Dover, Tunbridge Wells United, Ashford, Ramsgate, Bexley, Margate, Sittingbourne and Folkestone. Lovells Athletic withdrew from the League. This brought the strength to a record forty-four clubs.

This structure has remained ever since, apart from slight fluctuations with clubs dropping out and new clubs taking their place. Season 1971/72 will see new faces yet again in the Southern League by virtue of the fact the First Division is to split into two Regions.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION POPULATION

“LEAGUE” 1970/71

Romford	120,610	Margate	47,930
Cambridge City	99,480	Weymouth	45,390
Poole Town	95,920	Hereford United	45,370
Bath City	85,270	Kettering	41,650
Gloucester City	74,180	Hillingdon	41,500
Wimbledon	72,340	Dover	38,650
Worcester City....	70,050	Telford United....	31,260
Bedford Town	69,480	Ashford United	30,450
Nuneaton	62,770	Barnet	29,480
Chelmsford United	55,260	King's Lynn	29,460
Dartford United	49,760	YEOVIL TOWN	28,500



“ THE BOSS ”

Yeovil took the bold step in 1922 of appointing their first ever player-manager. He was the former captain of Queen's Park Rangers, 31-year-old Jack Gregory, who in this initial season with the club, got together a team which won the Southern League Championship (Western Section).

In Jack Gregory's second season at Huish Yeovil made football history by beating a Football League side for the first time. Their victims were Bournemouth and Boscombe United who they defeated by the odd goal in five. Misfortune dogged Yeovil and Petters United in the first round proper, for in being beaten 4—2 by Bristol Rovers they lost three of their best players through injuries—Tommy Edwards, Harry Pidgeon and Jimmy Gardener.

At the end of the season 1927/28 Gregory resigned his appointment, and he was succeeded by the former Newport County inside-left, Tommy Lowes, who had been with Yeovil for two seasons.

Although Lowes was only manager for a short spell he made a worth-while contribution. The F.A. Cup provided all the thrills of the 1928/29 season, for after playing no fewer than ten preliminary games, Yeovil met Plymouth Argyle at Huish. In the visiting team were such players as Leslie and Black, at that time the best left-wing pair in the country—Yeovil were beaten 1—4.

Never had Yeovil's reputation stood higher than in the four seasons under the guidance of David Pratt, the former Celtic, Bury and Liverpool half-back, who was appointed as manager in the close season of 1929. At the end of his first season with Yeovil the club showed a profit of £1,284. Highlights of the club's playing record under Pratt were : 1929/30—Western League Champions, Somerset Professional Cup winners, third in the Southern League. 1930/31—Western League runners-up, Somerset Professional Cup winners, London Combination runners-up. 1931/32—Southern League champions (Western Section), Western League runners-up, third in the London Combination, reached Second Round of the F.A. Cup. 1932/33—London Combination runners-up, third in Southern League, third in Western League and reached Second Round of the F.A. Cup.

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It was mainly through Pratt's contacts in football that such teams as Tottenham Hotspur, Leicester City, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Liverpool, Newcastle United and Sunderland visited Yeovil to play in friendly matches.

Leaving Yeovil in the summer of 1933, David Pratt succeeded the famous Jimmy Seed as manager of Clapton Orient, after which he was appointed manager of Heart of Midlothian. After the war he managed Port Vale.

Pratt's successor was the English International winger, Louis Page. He was one of the finest left-wingers in the country and had spent most of his playing career with Burnley. To Page fell the honour of setting up an individual record by scoring seven goals in a league match. This was against Birmingham at St. Andrews.

Selected by Yeovil from over a hundred applicants, Louis Page soon made further Cup history, for it was during his term of management that the phrase "giant killers" was tagged to Yeovil by the National Press. It was Page who took Yeovil into the third round of the F.A. Cup against Liverpool, after running riot against two prominent Third Division clubs, Crystal Palace and Exeter City.

In 1935 Louis Page left Yeovil to manage first Newport County and then Swindon, his successor was a centre-forward, David Halliday, from Clapton Orient. One of the best known players in soccer at that time, he had played for Dundee, Sunderland, Arsenal and Manchester City.

After a disastrous start, he began team building afresh and produced a team which brought new Cup glories to Yeovil. In the season 1936/37, after defeating Cheltenham and Worthing, Halliday took Yeovil to Walsall in the second round. With frost and snow covering the pitch Yeovil forced a draw, winger Doncaster scoring the equaliser in the last few minutes. In the replay on the following Thursday afternoon, Walsall entered the next round of the competition with a goal in the 89th minute.

During the following season when cup-tie fever was at its height, Halliday secured the managership of Aberdeen, but remained with Yeovil until their Cup hopes had ended. After Yeovil had been beaten 3—0 by Manchester United in the third round, he went North in a blaze of glory.

Another manager who ushered Yeovil through all the early rounds and into the third round of the F.A. Cup was Billy Kingdon

who succeeded David Halliday. It was the former Aston Villa and Southampton player who lead Yeovil to the tremendous achievement of drawing with Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough in 1938/39.

When Kingdon left Yeovil after the war to take over licensed premises at Weymouth it was his intention to "hang up his boots." No one however played a more active part in Weymouth's revival than he did, and as player-manager he saw his new club promoted to the senior division of the Western League.

In 1946 Yeovil were to create yet another record by the appointment of the youngest player-manager of a professional club in the country—27-year-old Alec Stock, a prolific goal-scorer from Queen's Park Rangers. Stock had been a captain with the Northamptonshire Yeomanry during the war and soon after his return to the Rangers he secured the Yeovil appointment. After battling for two seasons against difficulties which were naturally to arise after the war, Stock then took Yeovil on a Cup journey which amazed the football world.

It all started quietly enough on 13th November, 1948, in Newport, when an own goal by the Lovells Athletic wing-half put Yeovil into the first round. It all ended at Main Road, Manchester, on 12th February, 1949, when before 81,561 spectators Yeovil lost interest in the F.A. Cup for another season. In between times however Yeovil were to provide front page headlines for the National Press with victories over Second Division Bury and First Division Sunderland in rounds three and four. During the season Yeovil won the Southern League Cup for the first time.

With all the publicity that had gone with the Cup run no club could hope to keep a manager of the calibre of Stock and he left to take up the reigns of Leyton Orient. Since then he has become one of the top managers in the Country.

The 1949/50 season saw George Patterson, M.A. as the new player-manager of Yeovil Town as they had now become known, having dropped the "Petters United." Again the F.A. Cup was the highlight of the season, reaching the third round proper once again.

The following season was Patterson's last with the club, he left to take up the managership of Stirling Albion.

During the next two seasons, under the managership of Harry Lowe, the only highlight was what team Yeovil would be fielding

for any one match ; no fewer than 90 different players turned out for the first team alone during the two seasons !

The appointment of Ike Clarke as player-manager in 1953 was the start of a new era in the history of the club. Clarke, the former Portsmouth inside-forward brought together a practically new team which came third in the Southern League. The following season saw the club win both the Southern League Championship, for the first time, and the Southern League Cup. The Somerset Professional Cup was also won and the Reserves won the Western League Division 2. After two more seasons Clarke left the club and moved to Canterbury City as manager.

Norman Dodgin then joined the club but was appointed manager of Barrow before the commencement of the 1957/58 season. Jimmy Baldwin the former Blackburn Rovers wing-half took over from Dodgin and was with the club three seasons before moving out of football. Under the guidance of Jimmy Baldwin the club reached the F.A. Cup third round before losing 0—4 at Fulham in 1957/58.

Yeovil again looked towards Portsmouth when appointing Jimmy Baldwin's successor. From the eighty applications Basil Hayward was selected. The club were now to pass through one of the most successful times in its history. During the four years of Hayward's reign the club finished 3rd, 4th and 11th in the Southern League, won the Southern League Cup once and reached the second round of the F.A. Cup twice. When he left in February, 1964, Yeovil were going great guns towards their second league championship.

Glyn Davies, the former Derby County defender, was selected as Yeovil's new player-manager. It was he in fact who took the club to its second championship, also Yeovil again reached the third round of the F.A. Cup. It was not long however before Swansea found the man they released to Yeovil would fit their requirements as manager and for a fee of £750 Davies was transferred to Swansea. The first fee ever to be paid by one club to another for the services of a manager.

Season 1965/66 saw Joe MacDonald as the new player-manager of the club. MacDonald had played for Nottingham Forest winning a Cup Winners Medal, also he had represented Scotland three times and had played for the U.K. International XI. During

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the two years of MacDonald's management Yeovil again won the Southern League Cup.

In April, 1967, Yeovil took the decision to appoint not a player-manager but to try their luck with a manager. From the short list a high scoring centre-forward, Ron Saunders, was selected. Saunders who had that season been Charlton Athletic's leading goal-scorer in Division Two had decided to bring his career as a footballer to an end and to concentrate on management. Only two players had been retained at the end of the 1966/67 season and Saunders spent the summer making numerous signings. The season opened promisingly but on the final run-in the team lost its momentum ; in the few matches manager Saunders played at the end of the season he showed that had he played all season the championship could have been won. During the following season Oxford United offered Ron Saunders the position of team manager. He only spent months at Oxford before moving to Norwich City. History had again been made by Yeovil, this was the first time that a manager had gone from a non-league club to a Second Division club.

In April, 1969, 28-year-old Michael Hughes was appointed as player-manager. Few in Yeovil knew of this young player who had played for Cardiff City, Exeter City and Chesterfield and fewer still could have visualised that within two years he would have become almost a national celebrity. Success followed success ; after a disastrous start, winning only five points from the first sixteen, the team finished runners-up to Cambridge United. The club also made a profit for the first time for many years. Dick Plumb and Cyril Davies were transferred to Charlton Athletic for £12,000 but still Yeovil Town enjoyed its most successful season ever. The Championship was won and in Cup competitions the Club reached the Third Round of the F.A. Cup, the Semi-Final of the F.A. Trophy and also the finals of the Western Counties Floodlight Cup and Somerset Professional Cup.

From Gregory to Hughes Yeovil Town can be justifiably proud of their managers and can be proud of the way they have of selecting " The Boss."

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P 34 W 25 D 3 L 6 F 71 A 30 Pts. 53 Post. 1st

F.A. Cup—3rd Qualifying Round

1924/25—Southern League (Western Section)

P 38 W 15 D 10 L 13 F 49 A 50 Pts. 40 Post. 11th

F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1925/26—Southern League (Western Section)

P 26 W 9 D 8 L 9 F 43 A 48 Pts. 26 Post. 7th

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1926/27—Southern League (Western Section)

P 26 W 9 D 5 L 12 F 49 A 66 Pts. 23 Post. 12th

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1927/28—Southern League (Western Section)

P 30 W 11 D 7 L 12 F 64 A 57 Pts. 29 Post. 9th

F.A. Cup—1st Qualifying Round

1928/29—Southern League (Western Section)

P 26 W 11 D 2 L 13 F 49 A 57 Pts. 24 Post. 10th

F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1929/30—Southern League (Western Section)

P 28 W 12 D 7 L 9 F 63 A 47 Pts. 31 Post. 5th

F.A. Cup—3rd Qualifying Round

1930/31—Football Combination (Division Two)

Runners-up

F.A. Cup—1st Qualifying Round

1931/32—Southern League (Western Section)

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F.A. Cup—2nd Round Proper

1932/33—Southern League (Western Section)

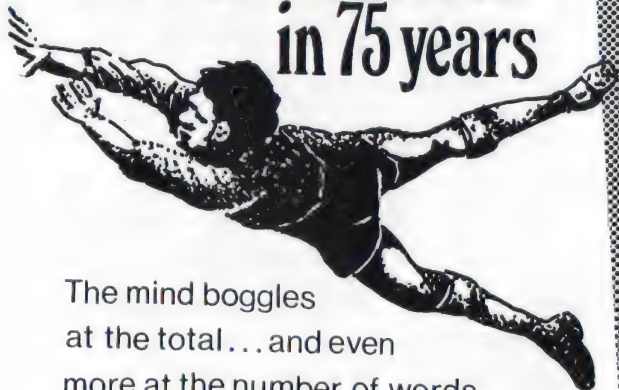
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P 18 W 7 D 4 L 7 F 34 A 38 Pts. 18 Post. 4th

Southern League Cup—1st Round

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1934/35—Southern League (Western Section)

P 16 W 11 D 2 L 3 F 49 A 18 Pts. 24 Post. 1st

Southern League (Central Section)

P 20 W 8 D 1 L 11 F 45 A 51 Pts. 17 Post. 10th

Southern League Cup—Final

F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

1935/36—Southern League (Western Section)

P 16 W 5 D 3 L 8 F 31 A 35 Pts. 13 Post. 7th

Southern League (Central Section)

P 20 W 3 D 5 L 12 F 40 A 75 Pts. 11 Post. 11th

Southern League Cup—1st Round

F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1936/37—Southern League

P 30 W 15 D 3 L 12 F 77 A 69 Pts. 33 Post. 7th

Southern League Cup—2nd Round

F.A. Cup—2nd Round Proper

1937/38—Southern League

P 34 W 14 D 14 L 6 F 72 A 45 Pts. 42 Post. 4th

Southern League Cup—Final

F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

1938/39—Southern League

P 44 W 22 D 10 L 12 F 85 A 70 Pts. 54 Post. 5th

Southern League Cup—1st Round

F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

1939/40—Southern League (Western Section)

P 14 W 7 D 2 L 5 F 30 A 24 Pts. 16 Post. 4th

Southern League Cup—

F.A. Cup—

1945/46—Southern League

P 18 W 7 D 1 L 10 F 57 A 52 Pts. 18* Post. 6th

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Southern League Cup—2nd in Group

F.A. Cup—

1946/47—Southern League

P 32 W 19 D 6 L 7 F 100 A 49 Pts. 44 Post. 4th

Southern League Cup—Final

F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1947/48—Southern League

P 34 W 12 D 11 L 11 F 56 A 50 Pts. 35 Post. 8th

Southern League Cup—Semi-Final

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1948/49—Southern League

P 42 W 19 D 9 L 14 F 90 A 53 Pts. 47 Post. 8th

Southern League Cup—Winners

F.A. Cup—5th Round Proper

1949/50—Southern League

P 46 W 29 D 7 L 10 F 104 A 45 Pts. 65 Post. 3rd

Southern League Cup—Preliminary Round

F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

1950/51—Southern League

P 44 W 13 D 15 L 16 F 72 A 72 Pts. 41 Post. 13th

Southern League Cup—1st Round

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1951/52—Southern League

P 42 W 12 D 11 L 19 F 56 A 76 Pts. 35 Post. 17th

Southern League Cup—Semi-Final

F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1952/53—Southern League

P 42 W 11 D 10 L 21 F 75 A 99 Pts. 32 Post. 18th

Southern League Cup—1st Round

F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1953/54—Southern League

P 42 W 20 D 8 L 14 F 87 A 76 Pts. 48 Post. 3rd
Southern League Cup—1st Round
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1954/55—Southern League

P 42 W 23 D 9 L 10 F 105 A 66 Pts. 55 Post. 1st
Southern League Cup—Winners
F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1955/56—Southern League

P 42 W 23 D 9 L 10 F 98 A 55 Pts. 55 Post. 3rd
Southern League Cup—Final
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1956/57—Southern League

P 42 W 14 D 11 L 17 F 83 A 85 Pts. 39 Post. 16th
Southern League Cup—Semi-Final
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

1957/58—Southern League

P 42 W 16 D 9 L 17 F 70 A 84 Pts. 41 Post. 13th
Southern League Cup—2nd Round
F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

1958/59—Southern League (S.E. Zone)

P 32 W 17 D 8 L 7 F 60 A 41 Pts. 42 Post. 4th
Southern League Cup—3rd Round
F.A. Cup—2nd Round Proper

1959/60—Southern League (Premier Division)

P 42 W 17 D 8 L 17 F 81 A 73 Pts. 42 Post. 11th
Southern League Cup—Qualifying Round
F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round

1960/61—Southern League (Premier Division)

P 42 W 23 D 9 L 10 F 109 A 54 Pts. 55 Post. 3rd
Southern League Cup—Winners
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1961/62—Southern League (Premier Division)

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Southern League Cup—Semi-Final
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper

- 1962/63—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 40 W 15 D 10 L 15 F 64 A 54 Pts. 40 Post. 11th
Southern League Cup—1st Round
F.A. Cup—2nd Round Proper
- 1963/64—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 29 D 5 L 8 F 93 A 36 Pts. 63 Post. 1st
Southern League Cup—4th Round
F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper
- 1964/65—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 18 D 14 L 10 F 76 A 55 Pts. 50 Post. 4th
Southern League Cup—4th Round
F.A. Cup—4th Qualifying Round
- 1965/66—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 17 D 11 L 14 F 91 A 70 Pts. 45 Post. 9th
Southern League Cup—Winners
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- 1966/67—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 14 D 14 L 14 F 66 A 72 Pts. 42 Post. 14th
Southern League Cup—4th Round
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper
- 1967/68—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 16 D 12 L 14 F 45 A 43 Pts. 44 Post. 12th
Southern League Cup—Semi-Final
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper
- 1968/69—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 16 D 13 L 13 F 52 A 50 Pts. 45 Post. 8th
Southern League Cup—3rd Round
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper
- 1969/70—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 25 D 7 L 10 F 78 A 48 Pts. 57 Post. 2nd
Southern League Cup—3rd Round
F.A. Cup—1st Round Proper
- 1970/71—Southern League (Premier Division)
P 42 W 25 D 7 L 10 F 66 A 31 Pts. 57 Post. 1st
Southern League Cup—3rd Round
F.A. Cup—3rd Round Proper

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1923/24		
Preliminary	Yeovil 2, Frome 0	2,000
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 12, Westbury 1	2,300
2nd Qualifying	Welton Rovers 1, Yeovil 2	1,750
3rd Qualifying	Yeovil 1, Torquay United 1	3,000
Replay	Torquay United 2, Yeovil 1	2,300
1924/25		
Preliminary	Yeovil 9, Westbury 1	1,500
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 5, Clevedon 1	1,800
2nd Qualifying	Warminster Town 1, Yeovil 3	1,000
3rd Qualifying	Taunton 1, Yeovil 2	2,500
4th Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Bournemouth & Bos. Utd. 2	5,500
1st Round	Yeovil 2, Bristol Rovers 4	6,600
1925/26		
4th Qualifying	Torquay United 3, Yeovil 1	3,000
1926/27		
Preliminary	Yeovil 10, Street 1	1,250
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Bristol St. George 0	1,600
2nd Qualifying	Yeovil 5, St. Austell 0	2,250
3rd Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Barry 1	3,200
4th Qualifying	Weymouth 4, Yeovil 1	4,000
1927/28		
Preliminary	Green Waves 0, Yeovil 3	800
1st Qualifying	Plymouth Civil Service 3, Yeovil 1	650
1928/29		
Preliminary	Taunton 1, Yeovil 1	4,000
Replay	Yeovil 0, Taunton 3	3,000
1st Qualifying	Plymouth Civil Service 2, Yeovil 2	800
Replay	Yeovil 6, Plymouth Civil Service 2	2,000
2nd Qualifying	Yeovil 5, Wells City 2	2,500
3rd Qualifying	Barry 2, Yeovil 2	950
Replay	Yeovil 0, Barry 0	2,000
2nd Replay	Yeovil 3, Barry 1 (at Bristol)	—
4th Qualifying	Salisbury 3, Yeovil 3	2,750
Replay	Yeovil 5, Salisbury 2	3,900
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Plymouth Argyle 4	6,299

1929/30

Preliminary	Kingswood 2, Yeovil 3	872
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 2, Ebbw Vale 1	3,000
2nd Qualifying	Yeovil 5, Weston-super-Mare 0	3,212
3rd Qualifying	Barry 4, Yeovil 3	1,200

1930/31

Preliminary	Yeovil 5, St. Austell 1	3,000
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 1, Taunton 1	4,000
Replay	Taunton 4, Yeovil 1	2,000

1931/32

Preliminary	Yeovil 11, Wadebridge 1	2,000
1st Qualifying	Yeovil 4, Dartmouth United 2	2,500
2nd Qualifying	Street 1, Yeovil 4	2,000
3rd Qualifying	Lovells Athletic 0, Yeovil 1	—
4th Qualifying	Llanelly 0, Yeovil 1	6,000
5th Qualifying	Yeovil 4, Salisbury 2	3,500
1st Round	Yeovil 3, Hayes 1	4,100
2nd Round	Fulham 0, Yeovil 0	—
Replay	Yeovil 2, Fulham 5	8,004

1932/33

4th Qualifying	Bath City 2, Yeovil 4	5,000
1st Round	Dartford 0, Yeovil 0	5,000
Replay	Yeovil 4, Dartford 2	6,000
2nd Round	Chester 2, Yeovil 1	8,540

1933/34

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 0, Bath City 2	4,000
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1934/35

1st Qualifying	Tiverton 1, Yeovil 5	700
2nd Qualifying	Yeovil 8, Wells City 2	2,500
3rd Qualifying	Glastonbury 1, Yeovil 2	2,000
4th Qualifying	Yeovil 6, Weymouth 2	4,000
1st Round	Yeovil 3, Crystal Palace 0	8,762
2nd Round	Yeovil 4, Exeter City 1	9,000
3rd Round	Yeovil 2, Liverpool 6	11,830

1935/36

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 2, Barry 1	3,174
1st Round	Yeovil 0, Newport (I.O.W.) 1	3,500

1936/37

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Cheltenham 2	4,184
1st Round	Yeovil 4, Worthing 3	5,000
2nd Round	Walsall 1, Yeovil 1	3,924
Replay	Yeovil 0, Walsall 1	5,308

1937/38

4th Qualifying	Radstock 0, Yeovil 3	3,073
1st Round	Yeovil 2, Ipswich 1	6,376
2nd Round	Yeovil 2, Gainsborough Trinity 1	7,152
3rd Round	Manchester United 3, Yeovil 0	49,000

1938/39

4th Qualifying	Barry 2, Yeovil 5	3,452
1st Round	Yeovil 2, Brighton & Hove 1	8,117
2nd Round	Folkestone 1, Yeovil 1	5,825
Replay	Yeovil 1, Folkestone 0	6,548
3rd Round	Sheffield Wednesday 1, Yeovil 1	24,446
Replay	Yeovil 1, Sheffield Wednesday 2	14,329

1945/46

1st Round	Yeovil 1, Bristol City 1	7,690
Replay	Bristol City 3, Yeovil 0	13,500

1946/47

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 10, Dartmouth 2	7,000
1st Round	Yeovil 2, Peterborough 2	7,500
Replay	Peterborough 1, Yeovil 0	9,500

1947/48

4th Qualifying	Street 2, Yeovil 1	4,300
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1948/49

4th Qualifying	Lovells Athletic 2, Yeovil 3	1,200
1st Round	Yeovil 4, Romford 0	8,638
2nd Round	Weymouth 0, Yeovil 4	12,000
3rd Round	Yeovil 3, Bury 1	13,315
4th Round	Yeovil 2, Sunderland 1	16,318
5th Round	Manchester United 8, Yeovil 0	81,565

1949/50

1st Round	Yeovil 4, Romford 1	11,878
2nd Round	Yeovil 3, Gillingham 1	13,034
3rd Round	Chesterfield 3, Yeovil 1	24,288

1950/51

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 2, Cheltenham 4	8,400
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1951/52

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 1, Weymouth 1	13,600
Replay	Weymouth 2, Yeovil 1	9,000

1952/53

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 1, Merthyr 0	8,395
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Brighton & Hove 4	10,200

1953/54

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 2, Merthyr 1	10,148
1st Round	Yeovil 0, Norwich City 2	11,968

1954/55

4th Qualifying	Barnstaple 3, Yeovil 1	—
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1955/56

4th Qualifying	Bideford 0, Yeovil 3	4,310
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Aldershot 1	10,600
Replay	Aldershot 1, Yeovil 1	6,532
2nd Replay	Aldershot 3, Yeovil 0 (at Southampton)	

1956/57

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Glastonbury 1	5,070
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Peterborough 3	10,575

1957/58

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 3, Bideford 1	6,000
1st Round	Guildford 2, Yeovil 2	—
Replay	Yeovil 1, Guildford 0	5,880
2nd Round	Yeovil 2, Bath City 0	11,700
3rd Round	Fulham 4, Yeovil 0	39,568

1958/59

4th Qualifying	Bideford 1, Yeovil 4	—
1st Round	Southend 0, Yeovil 0	15,296
Replay	Yeovil 1, Southend 0	7,700
2nd Round	Colchester 1, Yeovil 1	11,000
Replay	Yeovil 1, Colchester 7	7,300

1959/60

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 0, Bath City 2	9,390
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1960/61

4th Qualifying	Trowbridge 0, Yeovil 4	3,060
1st Round	Walsall 0, Yeovil 1	—
2nd Round	Bournemouth & Boscombe 3, Yeovil 1	15,932

1961/62

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 4, Andover 0	4,885
1st Round	Notts County 4, Yeovil 2	11,375

1962/63

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 4, Trowbridge 0	4,144
1st Round	Yeovil 3, Dartford 2	5,860
2nd Round	Yeovil 0, Swindon 2	12,292

1963/64

4th Qualifying	Cowes 0, Yeovil 1	3,000
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Southend 0	7,638
2nd Round	Yeovil 3, Crystal Palace 1	10,925
3rd Round	Yeovil 0, Bury 2	12,055

1964/65

4th Qualifying	Salisbury 2, Yeovil 1	—
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1965/66

4th Qualifying	Portland 1, Yeovil 1	3,069
Replay	Yeovil 3, Portland 0	6,005
1st Round	Brentford 2, Yeovil 1	9,230

1966/67

4th Qualifying	Cheltenham 3, Yeovil 3	3,047
Replay	Yeovil 3, Cheltenham 1	4,444
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Oxford 3	7,530

1967/68

4th Qualifying	Yeovil 2, Welton Rovers 0	3,345
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Margate 3	6,322

1968/69

4th Qualifying	Bath City 0, Yeovil 2	7,140
1st Round	Weymouth 2, Yeovil 1	5,528

1969/70

4th Qualifying	Minehead 0, Yeovil 0	2,580
Replay	Yeovil 0, Minehead 0	5,003
2nd Replay	Yeovil 5, Minehead 0 (at Exeter)	2,719
1st Round	Yeovil 2, Shrewsbury 3	6,355

1970/71

4th Qualifying	Poole 1, Yeovil 2	2,125
1st Round	Yeovil 1, Avelley 0	4,773
2nd Round	Bournemouth & Boscombe 0, Yeovil 1	11,583
3rd Round	Yeovil 0, Arsenal 3	14,500

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1894/95	Millwall	1933/34	Plymouth Argyle Res.
1895/96	Millwall	1934/35	Norwich City Res.
1896/97	Southampton St. Mary's	1935/36	Margate
1897/98	Southampton	1936/37	Ipswich Town
1898/99	Southampton	1937/38	Guildford City
1899/00	Tottenham Hotspur	1938/39	Colchester Utd.
1900/01	Southampton	1939/40	{ Chelmsford City
1901/02	Portsmouth		{ Lovell's Athletic
1902/03	Southampton	1945/46	Chelmsford City
1903/04	Southampton	1946/47	Gillingham
1904/05	Bristol Rovers	1947/48	Merthyr Tydfil
1905/06	Fulham	1948/49	Gillingham
1906/07	Fulham	1949/50	Merthyr Tydfil
1907/08	Q.P.R.	1950/51	Merthyr Tydfil
1908/09	Northampton	1951/52	Merthyr Tydfil
1909/10	Brighton and Hove Albion	1952/53	Headington Utd.
1910/11	Swindon Town	1953/54	Merthyr Tydfil
1911/12	Q.P.R.	1954/55	Yeovil Town
1912/13	Plymouth Argyle	1955/56	Guildford City
1913/14	Swindon Town	1956/57	Kettering Town
1914/15	Watford	1957/58	Gravesend and Northfleet
1919/20	Portsmouth	1958/59	Bedford Town
1920/21	Brighton & Hove Albion Res.	1959/60	Bath City
1921/22	Plymouth Argyle Res.	1960/61	Oxford Utd.
1922/23	Ebbw Vale	1961/62	Oxford Utd.
1923/24	Peterborough & Fletten Utd.	1962/63	Cambridge City
1924/25	Southampton Res.	1963/64	Yeovil Town
1925/26	Plymouth Argyle Res.	1964/65	Weymouth
1926/27	Brighton & Hove Albion Res.	1965/66	Weymouth
1927/28	Kettering Town	1966/67	Romford
1928/29	Plymouth Argyle Res.	1967/68	Chelmsford City
1929/30	Aldershot Town	1968/69	Cambridge Utd.
1930/31	Dartford	1969/70	Cambridge Utd.
1931/32	Dartford	1970/71	Yeovil Town
1932/33	Norwich City Res.		

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Richard Pym (Bolton Wanderers) England, 1925, 1926
 Louis Page (Burnley) England, 1927, 1928
 Wilfred Lewis (Derby County) Wales, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930
 John Gilmour (Dundee) Scotland, 1931
 Robert Regan (Motherwell) Scotland, 1935
 Leslie Boulter (Brentford) Wales, 1939
 George Patterson (Celtic) Scotland, 1939
 Joe MacDonald (Sunderland) Scotland, 1956
 Cyril Davies (Charlton Athletic) Wales Under 23, 1970, 1971

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